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SACRAMENTO UPDATE

Status of County Interest Bills

AB 55 (Dymally), which would authorize the Board to create a hospital authority for the purpose of administering the Martin Luther King Jr.-Harbor Hospital, and AB 1749 (Dymally), which would allow the State Department of Public Health to appoint a temporary manager for a general acute care hospital in an underserved area where patients are found to be in immediate danger, were taken off the Senate Health Committee's July 11, 2007 calendar at the request of the author. Sources at the Capitol indicate that the bills were opposed by organized labor. Because the deadline for policy committees to report bills is Friday, July 13, 2007, no further action can be taken on these bills unless the Senate grants a rule waiver requiring a two-thirds vote on the Senate Floor. They are now two-year bills.

Status of County Advocacy Bills

County-supported AB 119 (Price), which would restore statutes that require the State to reimburse counties for the costs of conducting special elections to fill vacancies in the Legislature and the Congress, was approved by the Senate Committee on Elections, Reapportionment and Constitutional Amendments on Tuesday, July 10, 2007. All three of the members present at the time of the hearing voted in support of the bill. As an urgency measure, AB 119 would take effect upon the Governor's signature. The bill now goes to the Senate Appropriations Committee.

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County-sponsored AB 1062 (Ma), which would require the California Department of Social Services to establish a Statewide work-support rental subsidy pilot program to help CalWORKs families avoid homelessness and find and maintain employment, was placed on the Senate Appropriations Committee's Suspense File on July 9, 2007.

County-supported AB 1382 (Leno), which would eliminate the fingerprint imaging requirement for Food Stamp-only applicants and maintain the requirement for the CalWORKs and General Relief applicants with Food Stamps, was placed on the Senate Appropriations Committee's Suspense File on July 9, 2007.

We will continue to keep you advised.

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